## Legal Notice for Hancock Forest Management Access Road Project Environmental Assessment

The environmental assessment (EA) for the Hancock Forest Management Access Road Project is now available for public review and comment. The project is intended to authorize access across National Forest System Lands to an inholding owned by AP Timber, LLC, and managed by Hancock Forest Management. If access is authorized, a special use permit would be issued to AP Timber and Hancock to allow reconstruction of an existing roadbed and construction of 250 feet of road to access its property. This project area encompasses about 4.9 acres and is located on the Oak Knoll – Happy Camp District of the Klamath National Forest about 1.5 miles south of Mt. Ashland, Oregon in the Cottonwood Creek watershed: Township 40 south, Range 1 east, Section 27.

The EA and supporting documents are available on the Klamath National Forest's project webpage at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43920.

This project is subject to comment pursuant to 36 CFR 218, Subparts A and B. Those who submit timely project-specific written comments during a public comment period are eligible to file an objection. Individuals or representatives of an entity submitting comments must sign the comments or verify identity upon request. In order for referenced material to be considered, commenters should supply referenced literature and discuss its relevancy to the project as part of their comments.

The Forest Service will accept comments on this proposal for 30 days following publication of this legal notice, which is the exclusive means for calculating the comment period. Commenters should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source. It is the commenter's responsibility to ensure timely receipt of comments (36 CFR 218.25). Commenters should supply full citations to all referenced literature, and the Forest Service reserves the right to request copies from commenters of any literature cited but not provided with comment letters.

Submit electronic comments to the Klamath National Forest's project webpage: <a href="http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43920">http://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43920</a>, by selecting the "Comment on Project" link in the "Get Connected" group at the right-hand side of the project webpage. Attachments may be in the following formats: plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc, .docx), or portable document format (.pdf).

Written comments can be submitted by fax at (530) 841-4571 or mailed to Patty Grantham, ATTN: Alonzo Jackson, Klamath National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1711 South Main Street, Yreka, CA 96097-9549, or hand-delivered during normal business hours (8am to 5:00 pm Monday-Friday, excluding holidays.

Comments received, including names and addresses provided by those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public review (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21).

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